

Agricultural Marketing Service, USDA

§ 924.52

(c) Upon the removal or expiration of the term of office of any member of the committee, such member shall account for all receipts and disbursements and deliver all property and funds in his possession to his successor in office, and shall execute such assignments and other instruments as may be necessary or appropriate to vest in such successor full title to all of the property, funds, and claims vested in such member pursuant to this part.

RESEARCH

§ 924.45 Research and development.

The committee, with the approval of the Secretary, may establish or provide for the establishment of production research, and marketing research and development projects designed to assist, improve, or promote the marketing, distribution, and consumption or efficient production of fresh prunes. The expense of such projects shall be paid from funds collected pursuant to § 924.41.

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REGULATIONS

§ 924.50 Marketing policy.

(a) Each season prior to making any recommendations pursuant to § 924.51, the committee shall submit to the Secretary a report setting forth its marketing policy for the ensuing season. Such marketing policy report shall contain information relative to:

- (1) The estimated total production of prunes within the production area;
 - (2) The expected general quality and size of prunes in the production area and in other areas;
 - (3) The expected demand conditions for prunes in different market outlets;
 - (4) The expected shipments of prunes produced in the production area and in areas outside the production area;
 - (5) Supplies of competing commodities;
 - (6) Trend and level of consumer income;
 - (7) Other factors having a bearing on the marketing of prunes; and
 - (8) The type of regulations expected to be recommended during the season.
- (b) In the event it becomes advisable, because of changes in the supply and

demand situation for prunes, to modify substantially such marketing policy, the committee shall submit to the Secretary a revised marketing policy report setting forth the information prescribed in this section. The committee shall publicly announce the contents of each marketing policy report, including each revised marketing policy report, and copies thereof shall be maintained in the office of the committee where they shall be available for examination by growers and handlers.

§ 924.51 Recommendations for regulation.

(a) Whenever the committee deems it advisable to regulate the handling of any variety or varieties of prunes in the manner provided in § 924.52, it shall so recommend to the Secretary.

(b) In arriving at its recommendations for regulation pursuant to paragraph (a) of this section, the committee shall give consideration to current information with respect to the factors affecting the supply and demand for prunes during the period or periods when it is proposed that such regulation should be made effective. With each such recommendation for regulation, the committee shall submit to the Secretary the data and information on which such recommendation is predicated and such other available information as the Secretary may request.

§ 924.52 Issuance of regulations.

(a) The Secretary shall regulate, in the manner specified in this section, the handling of prunes whenever he finds, from the recommendations and information submitted by the committee, or from other available information, that such regulations will tend to effectuate the declared policy of the act. Such regulations may:

- (1) Limit, during any period or periods, the shipment of any particular grade, size, quality, maturity, or pack or any combination thereof, of any variety or varieties of prunes grown in any district or districts: *Provided*, That whenever any regulation under this paragraph prescribes a specific maturity requirement applicable to the handling of any variety of prunes, such